

## Mission

The mission of the Family and Youth Services Bureau (FYSB) is to support the organizations and communities that work every day to reduce the risk of youth homelessness, adolescent pregnancy and domestic violence.

## Purpose

The 2003 Reauthorization of the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act called for the study of long-term outcomes for youth who are served through the Transitional Living Program. As a result, a research study was initiated and designed to capture pre- and post-survey data from youth up to 12 months after program exit. However, in response to the growing need for evidenced-based programming and in an attempt to align with the HHS goal to support more rigorous program evaluation, the study design was revised to include both an impact and implementation component.

Participating transitional living programs will be interviewed about organizational structure, service delivery models, and outcome goals as well as their frameworks for implementing positive youth development strategies. A randomized control trial design will also collect direct youth feedback by phone and online at 6, 12 and 18 months to assess long-term outcomes for housing, employment, and social and emotional wellness.

Independent contractor [Abt Associates, Inc.](#), is charged with carrying out the study. A final report is expected by FY16.

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